

# For Immediate Release



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## **City of Renton Shelter Remains Open** Shuttle Service and Food Provided

Renton, WA: The City of Renton's shelter at the Highlands Neighborhood Community Center, 800 Edmonds Ave NE will remain open tonight to assist storm victims in Renton. Soup and sandwiches will be offered at the shelter and the city is offering a free shuttle service to the shelter until 10:00 p.m. tonight.

Residents who need transportation to the center should call the shelter at 425-430-6744 to schedule a pick-up. The shelter has limited capability and those seeking shelter are asked to bring personal hygiene/maintenance items. It is recommended to bring items that will comfort children such as stuffed animals and games.

Free showers are available at the Renton Community Center at 1715 Maple Valley Highway. For a warm place during the day the Renton Public Library at 100 Mill Avenue South Renton, is open from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. today and the Renton Senior Center, 211 Burnett Avenue North, is open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Residents are asked to be careful and remain in their homes for their own safety. To stay warm, wear extra clothing and use extra blankets. Residents are also urged to use caution and obey fire safety rules. Do not operate generators indoors; do not use gas barbecues, or charcoal grills indoors; be careful with open flames, and never leave candles unattended. These practices have led to an increase of carbon monoxide poisonings and deaths throughout the region.